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Application forms for obtaining liquor permits

* 350 *Q*.—SRI T. PURUSHOTHAM: Will the Hon. the Minister for Religious Endowments and Transport be pleased to state—

(*a*) whether the Government have considered the question of simplification of the application forms for obtaining liquor permits, especially in the case of tourists; and

(*b*) if so, what orders have been passed in the matter?

THE HON. SRI B. PARAMESWARAN :—" (*a*) & (*b*) The answer is in the negative.

SRI T. PURUSHOTHAM :—" May I know whether the Central Government authority, viz., the Regional Tourist Officer was consulted in this matter and what proposals she had submitted for adopting a simplified system of liquor permits for tourists? "

THE HON. SRI B. PARAMESWARAN :—" No representation has been made to Government. The present system seems to be more agreeble and it is not cumbrous."

SRI K. BALASUBRAMANYA AYYAR :—" Are the Government aware that those who welcome these tourists become anti-prohibitionist in their company."

THE HON. SRI B. PARAMESWARAN :—" I do not think so."

II.—MESSAGE FROM THE ASSEMBLY.

MR. CHAIRMAN :—" I have to announce to the House that I have received the following message, dated the 22nd August 1955 from the Deputy Speaker, Madras Legislative Assembly :—

'In accordance with Rule 114 of the Madras Assembly Rules, I transmit a copy of the Pudukottai (Settlement of Inams) Bill, 1955 (L.A. Bill No. 25 of 1955) as passed by the Legislative Assembly on the twenty-second day of August 1955 and signed by me for the concurrence of the Council.' "

[*Note*.—An asterisk (*) at the commencement of a speech indicates revision by the Member.]

III.—STATEMENT UNDER RULE 41 (1) OF THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL RULES.

* SRI T. PURUSHOTHAM :—" Under rule 41 (1) of the Legislative Council Rules, I wish to call the attention of the Hon. Minister for Local Administration to the election notice of the Commissioner, Corporation of Madras, as the Returning Officer in the matter of election of members to the Madras Corporation Council. In the list of valid nominations published yesterday, against the name of each person is mentioned the community to which he belongs viz., Mudaliar, Adi-Dravida, Non-Brahmin, etc."

THE HON. SRI S. S. RAMASWAMI PADAYATCHI :—" I have not been served with the notice of this motion."